COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION

DUBLIN BUSINESS BRIEF



August 20, 2020 Special Notice

LISC-Lowe's Neighborhood Business Grant

Thanks to generous funding from Lowe's, small business owners in the Bay Area can apply for the Neighborhood Business Grant program through Local Initiatives Support



Corporation (LISC). This program is separate from previous small business grant applications from LISC and you must submit a new application to be considered for this grant.

Before you apply, please note:

- Only businesses located in the designated cities are eligible to receive a Neighborhood Business Grant (use this map to confirm eligibility).
- Application deadline is **Sunday, August 23rd** at 8:59 p.m. PT.

For more information (including FAQ in multiple languages) and to apply, visit their website.

Local Personal Protective Equipment Vendors

If your business manufactures or sells the following Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), please let us know:

- Masks (either medical or non-medical grade)
- Face shields
- Hand Sanitizer
- EPA List N disinfectant cleaning products
- Plexiglass/plastic partitions
- Gloves
- Gowns
- Other



Contact Economic Development via email or phone (925) 833-6650.

Supportive Services Money for Affected Workers and Small Business Owners

The Tri-Valley Career Center (TVCC) and Alameda County Workforce Development Board (ACWDB) are offering a grant of up to \$800 to help people who have lost wages/income from the shelter-in-place and the Coronavirus. To be eligible, you must meet income and other qualifications and also be willing to enroll in TVCC's Workforce Innovation & Opportunity (WIOA) no-cost program which provides career services.

The grant is to assist with paying a personal bill (not business-related expenses) such as to reimburse a residential utility bill, rent/mortgage or even pay for internet or a computer to work/train from home. This program is limited, so apply soon.

For more information, visit the TVCC's <u>website</u>.

A Complete 2020 Census Count is Important

Census data helps determine how billions of dollars in federal funds is allocated for schools, roads, and many other programs and services for families, older adults and children.

More than 90 million households have already responded to the 2020 Census. In Dublin, about one in four Dublin households still have not yet responded. Dublin's future is counting on everyone to respond to the Census.

Regardless where your employees live, please remind them about the importance of the Census, and that there is still time to respond.

You can complete the census easily and safely at home either online, over the phone (844-330-2020) or by mailing back the paper questionnaire. Enumerators (Census takers) are also starting to follow-up with Bay Area households that have not yet

responded with in-person visits. So, if you have not already done so, you should complete the form as soon as possible if you want to avoid a visit from an enumerator.

For more information, visit the City's website.

CENSUS 2020

EVERYONE COUNTS IN OUR BACKYARD

THE CENSUS PROVIDES

- **✓** DOLLARS
- **✓ DECISION MAKERS**
- ✓ DATA



dublin.ca.gov/census2020

The Small Business Administration (SBA) is urging disaster loan applicants seeking federal aid to be alert to phishing campaigns and scams. The SBA is particularly concerned about scam emails that are targeting applicants of the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program asking them to verify their accounts using a third-party online platform



to collect personally identifiable information. Additionally, federal agencies that provide disaster recovery assistance will never ask for a fee or payment to apply for financial assistance, and government employees do not charge for any recovery assistance provided.

Watch out for phony emails asking for your information and remember the following tips:

- Any email communication from the SBA will come from email accounts ending in sba.gov, and nothing more.
- Look out for emails that use the SBA logo in their phishing emails and phony schemes. (The presence of an SBA logo in an email or on a web page does not guarantee the information is either accurate or endorsed by the SBA.)
- Loan applicants who receive email correspondence asking for personally identifiable information are cautioned to ensure that any application numbers referenced in the email are consistent with your actual application number.
- Do not click on any links or open any attachments, which are often used in phishing email scams.

For more information and tips, visit the SBA website.

We Are Here for You

The City of Dublin appreciates our business community and remains committed to being your source for reliable and accessible information and resources.

In addition to the COVID-19 <u>Business Impacts webpage</u>, we have compiled a COVID-19 <u>Business Resource Guide</u> (PDF, last updated 7/14/2020). Be sure to also visit the City's <u>COVID-19 webpage</u> with up-to-date information and resources about the pandemic.

The Economic Development Division team is available via <u>email</u> or by calling 925-833-6650. Language assistance is available over the phone by request.

The Dublin Business Brief is a bi-monthly publication highlighting the latest news and events affecting the business community. For more information or assistance, please contact Economic Development via email, economic.development@dublin.ca.gov, or phone (925) 833-6650.

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